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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)
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Green et al.) Art Unit: 2444
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Application No. 09/935,634) Examiner: Cloud, Joiya M.
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Filed: 08/24/2001) Atty. Docket No.
) NAI1P092/01.050.01
For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR)
CONVERTING INFECTED) Date: 11/13/2009
ELECTRONIC FILES TO A SAFE)
FORMAT)
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
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Examiner:

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated 08/13/2009, please enter the following:

REMARKS

The Examiner has stated in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance the following: "none of the prior art of record provides rationale individually or in combination the limitation of at least "receiving a certain electronic file having a first file format having a first file extension and containing a computer virus; and prior to the certain electronic file being made available for viewing by the intended recipient, converting the certain electronic file to a second file format having a second file extension that is different from the first file extension of the first file format...wherein it is determined when the first file format is one of a word processing file format type and a graphics file format type, the second file format is one of a word processing file format type and a graphics file format type, the second file format being at least one of a TXT file format, a RTF file format without embedded objects, and a HTML file format without scripts...", as in claim 1" (emphasis added).

In response, applicant points out that independent Claim 1, as referenced by the Examiner, is not necessarily limited to at least some of the emphasized features that the Examiner has highlighted above. Just by way of example, Claim 1 does not specifically state "wherein it is determined when the first file format is one of a word processing file format type and a graphics file format type, the second file format is one of a word processing file format type and a graphics file format type," as the Examiner notes (emphasis added).

Clearly, Claim 1, as referenced by the Examiner, is not necessarily limited to the features that the Examiner has noted above in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, as emphasized above (by way of example only). Instead, each of the claims should only be limited by the language existing therein.

In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at (408) 505-5100. For payment of

the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1351 (Order No. NAI1P092).

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